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SIR:

In response to the Office Action dated January 10, 2006, favorable reconsideration of the above-identified patent application in light of the following discussion is respectfully requested.

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